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WE ARE... MARSHALL®

The Newsletter for Marshall University

July 14, 2021

Presidential search committee selects executive search firm; schedules listening sessions to solicit input

JULY 13, 2021



Marshall University has taken a few more steps toward the selection of its 38th president.

According to Board of Governors Chairman Patrick J. Farrell, the university's [presidential search committee](#) has selected the executive search firm [Academic Search](#) to assist with the process that began in April, when President Jerome A. Gilbert announced he would not seek an extension of his contract that ends July 15, 2022.

The university's [Board of Governors met June 17 and established a process and tentative timeline](#) for the national search.

Academic Search's role will include gathering input from constituent groups regarding the desired characteristics and qualities for candidates, assisting with preparation of a position announcement, creating a national advertising strategy, collecting resumes, screening applicants and providing the search committee with resumes of applicants who meet the minimum qualifications, conducting background and credential checks, and providing other advice and support as required.

In an e-mail sent last week to the university community, Farrell said the search committee is scheduling listening sessions to solicit input from various constituent groups. These groups include students, faculty, staff, alumni, donors and community members.

"We expect to hit the ground running next week with the first in a series of on-campus listening sessions we are scheduling over the coming months," said Farrell. "These early sessions will allow the university community and others to meet with the search firm's representatives to provide input as we develop the position announcement."

He added that the purpose of the listening sessions is to gather input about challenges the next president will face in the next 5-10 years and to identify skills and experiences a successful president will need to overcome those challenges.

The [schedule of listening sessions](#) is available on the university's [presidential search website](#) and will be updated as more sessions are scheduled.

In addition to attending a listening session, anyone wishing to provide input can [contact the Search Committee](#) by e-mail, or [provide feedback](#) or [nominate a candidate](#) through the website. Farrell says the search committee will consider input throughout all stages of the search process.

Internal Medicine Nurse Practitioner Fellowship Program wraps up second year

JULY 13, 2021



Maria Heck, M.S.N., FNP-BC, completed the advanced nurse practitioner training program in June after a year of rigorous training across a variety of internal medicine specialties. Heck also presented a poster at the state ANA conference. She has joined the Marshall Health staff as a nurse practitioner in gastroenterology. She will also continue to be part of the Nurse Practitioner Fellowship Program by serving as an educator, mentor and preceptor for future fellows. In early 2021, the [program](#) earned accreditation with distinction status from the American Nurses Credentialing Center.

Photo: Pictured left to right are Leah Lewis, APRN, FNP-BC, assistant program director; Beth White, D..NP., NP-C, program director; Kati Holland, APRN, FNP-BC, a 2020 program graduate; Maria Heck, 2021 program graduate; and Shannon Browning, M.D., medical director of the program.

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School of Medicine awarded planning grant for new rural surgery residency program

JULY 13, 2021

[The Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine](#) has received a \$750,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA) to support the planning and development of West Virginia's first rural surgery residency program.

The grant, which will be administered through the [Marshall Community Health Consortium](#), is one of only nine grants [awarded](#) as part of the HRSA Rural Residency Planning and Development Program to help address physician workforce shortages in rural communities. This is the first time these funds have been awarded to plan a rural surgery residency program. According to the Association of American Medical Colleges, a shortage of between 23,100 and 31,600 general surgeons is expected by 2025.

“The areas that will, undoubtedly, suffer most from a surgeon shortage are our rural communities,” said Paulette S. Wehner, M.D., vice dean of graduate medical education at the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine and principal investigator on the grant. “Research indicates that a resident is more likely to practice in the state of their residency training. By providing training in a rural setting, we hope many will opt to stay in West Virginia after their residency and practice in a community-based hospital.”

The Consortium, which is composed of the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine, Marshall Health, Cabell Huntington Hospital, Valley Health and Holzer Health Systems, will partner with Logan Regional Medical Center, a 132-bed acute care facility in Logan County, West Virginia, to develop curriculum, recruit faculty and address the clinical and learning environment needs necessary to establish an accredited rural surgery residency program. Residents will spend at least 50% of the five-year training residency in a rural hospital.

“While the basic principles remain the same, rural surgery requires a wide spectrum of care that is different from what trainees experience in an urban academic medical center,” said Farzad Amiri, M.D., F.A.C.S., a general surgeon and associate professor at the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine, who will serve as director of the program.

In Logan County, Jodi M. Cisco-Goff, M.D., F.A.C.S., general surgeon and assistant professor, will serve as the program’s associate director. Cisco-Goff, who completed both her medical degree and general surgery residency at Marshall before joining the medical school’s faculty in 2002, has been practicing in southern West Virginia for nearly 20 years.

“As we think about the next generation of surgeons in West Virginia, we must proactively consider how our medical school can provide West Virginians with the best possible access to surgical care,” said David A. Denning, M.D., F.A.C.S., professor and chair of the department of surgery. “Dr. Cisco-Goff and her staff will play an integral part in building the rural residency program from the ground up. Rural access to surgery across the U.S. has reached crisis level, and it is exciting to be the first in the nation chosen by HRSA to address the surgeon shortage in this way.”

The three-year grant requires the submission of a rural surgery residency application to the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) by 2024. Under the planning proposal, the training program will aim to receive initial accreditation in 2022 and welcome its first residents in July 2023. The program will phase in new residents each year until a maximum complement of 15 residents is reached. To learn more about residency programs at the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine, visit jcesom.marshall.edu/residents-fellows or call 304-691-1824. For news and information about the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine, follow us on Twitter [@MUSOMWV](https://twitter.com/MUSOMWV), like us on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/jcesom) or visit jcesom.marshall.edu.



Join Us for the 40 TOP Virtual Series

Japanese Investment in WV

Wednesday, July 21
10 a.m. to 11 a.m.



Speakers include:

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- Amelia Courts, Ed.D., The Education Alliance
- Natsuki Fukunaga Anderson, Ph.D., Marshall University
- Mami Itamochi, West Virginia Department of Education
- Akiko Praylow, Marshall University

STE@M Camp

Speech Therapy Exploration @ Marshall



Register:




July 23
9:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Introduction to Swallowing

November 11
9:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Alternative Forms
of Communication

Exploration of the different science and medical fields involved in speech-language pathology.

**8th – 11th graders, Free Camp,
Limited to 30 Participants.**

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Volleyball camps to resume this summer

MAY 5, 2021



Herd Volleyball will be hosting multiple volleyball camps this summer and we would be honored to have your child and/or children join our Herd athletes and coaches on the Huntington campus. This year, we will be hosting Team Camp, Elite Camp, All-Skills Camp, and of course, a Little Herd Camp. These camps are designed to prepare everyone for the upcoming season, teach volleyball fundamentals, competition, and elite skills, while most importantly reminding them to have

fun!

- Elite Camp (Ages 13-18): July 9th -11th
- Little Herd (Ages 8-12): July 12th -13th
- All Skills (Ages 9-18): July 13th – 14th
- Team Camp (Freshman, JV and Varsity Teams): July 15th-17th

For more details and registration click on the following

link: <https://herdzone.com/sports/2019/2/26/volleyball-camps-html.aspx>

If you have any questions, please feel free to send an e-mail to Charlie French, assistant volleyball coach, at frenchc@marshall.edu.

TRACE

TEACHING, RESEARCH, AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



Tuesday

August 17, 2021

8:15am - 4:00pm

Weisberg Applied
Engineering Building

Tuesday is a day of
presentations and
workshops devoted to
teaching, research, and
community engagement.

For schedule information and registration, visit
www.marshall.edu/ctl/trace-teaching-research-and-community-engagement-tuesday.

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All Marshall University faculty are invited to attend.



FAWN

FACULTY ACADEMIC WRITING NETWORK

Faculty-guided writing group designed to provide the opportunity for focused, structured, supervised writing and collaboration time with like-minded peers. FAWN allows participants to make progress towards the completion of articles, book chapters, and grant applications.

For more information and to register, visit www.marshall.edu/ctl/academic-writing-network
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Coronavirus Statistics:

New Cases Since June 29, 2021

Students: 1

Faculty: 0

Staff*: 1

** Includes auxiliary employees (Sodexo, Aetna, Rec Center, etc.)*

All testing is being done in partnership with Marshall Health, Cabell Huntington Hospital, Pleasant Valley Hospital, QLab Inc. and MedExpress Urgent Care.

The most recent information is always available at www.marshall.edu/coronavirus/dashboard.



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www.marshall.edu/coronavirus

For additional information, visit:
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